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New “Gourmet-to-Go” Fast Casual Restaurant set to open in Anniston

ANNISTON, Ala (February 2, 2016) – On Monday night the Anniston City Council approved an incentive that will help to get Rosie’s Gourmet-to-Go open before the Spring.

Rosie’s, an extension of PondeRosie Farms of Jacksonville, Alabama, will have fast casual dining for their customers who are on the go but also offer casual dining off a menu. Under the hands of celebrated Chef Katrina Watson, the new restaurant will serve fresh cooked meal items that will be locally sourced as much as possible. Customers can dine in or take out their orders as half of the restaurant will be set up fast casual for those on the go and the other half will serve those who wish to dine in.

Mayor Vaughn Stewart was excited about the announcement and said, “I am pleased that our over the top farmers market under the capable leadership of Jean Ann Oglesby served as a catalyst for Rosie’s. Enhancing healthy food choices in Anniston was certainly a goal of the market at its outset 2 years ago. Rosie’s will be more than a restaurant; it will serve as a communal hub in Golden Springs complimenting the already successful neighboring retail outlets. The retail option Rosie’s offers will allow busy families to enjoy healthy meals together at home.”

Rosie’s Gourmet to Go Partner Stacey Hardy said, “The success we’ve had with our farm’s products at the Anniston Farmers Market and the connections that event has allowed us to develop led my husband and I to make the decision to bring this restaurant to Anniston. We already have a number of vegetables growing at our farm that we can use in the new restaurant and have relationships with other local products for meat, dairy and additional items we will serve in our dishes. We decided on the Golden Springs Shopping Center building, as we were impressed with the traffic from the new Veteran’s Memorial Parkway as well as the number of residents that live within a few minutes’ drive of that location. The incentive approved by the Anniston City Council sealed the deal for us to make this all a reality.”

Rosie’s will be located at 3337 Henry Road at the newly remodeled Golden Springs Shopping Center. The owners are planning to be open during March.

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